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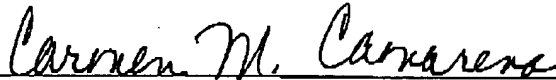
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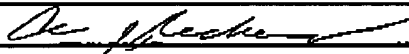
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	First Named Inventor	Stefan Eckart	
	Art Unit	2615	
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First Named Inventor	Stefan Eckart
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1005 180	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid	
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Independent Claims	5	-4 = 1	X 86	= 86.00
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